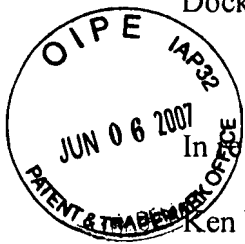


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In re Application of

Ken NAKAOKA, et al.

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Sir:

The above-identified application was filed on November 13, 2003. Since more than three and one-half years have elapsed since that date, and no action has been received by attorney for applicant, Applicant respectfully requests that the undersigned attorney be informed of the status of the referenced application. It is noted that the Official Gazette indicates applications filed on or before April 18, 2004 in the above-assigned Group Art Unit should have received an action on the merits.

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